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Book and Job Printing of every description, neatly executed. Terms, cash on delivery of the work.

## MOMENTOUS INTELLIGENCE!

It is not very generally understood that the proprietors of the *Chronicle* intend offering their distinguished services to the city as one of the representatives in the coming Legislature, and that they have been for some time secretly working and feeling their way in the dark with a view to be bought off. How unsuccessful they have been is best known to themselves, though it is generally supposed that they can neither influence nor catch votes. However, we cannot but think that such secret hole-in-the-corner political dodgery is everything but commendable, not to say profitable. As candidates for Legislative honors they should come out openly and above board and lay their claims, if they have any, before the electors in the shape of an address, in which they should define their political sentiments and let the people know what they are prepared to do—whether prepared to sell the public or to sell themselves, should they see fit to elect themselves by their own vote to the "important position of law-maker of this young colony." With the facilities at their command for so doing, their reticence in this respect is all the more excusable, as it furnishes strong presumptive evidence that concealment of their intentions so long as possible suits their purposes much better than if they were to make them known, and thus subject themselves to the inquiries of an impartial and interested public as to what was, or is, their price. An honest man never fears public criticism; but political dodgers prefer secrecy; and it should be borne in mind that all countries there are political dodgers, who can prate or scribble the purest patriotism, but who in the fullest acceptance of the term are the veriest wolves in sheep's clothing, and are not to be trusted any farther than they can be seen. It is hinted that our cotemporaries have been trying within a short time past to hob-nob in official circles; but it is doubtful whether they were noticed beyond the promise that if they did the dirty work at the next election they would be paid. Why does the *Chronicle* not call on Mr. Tidwell for his address? There will be some fine points for criticism!

## PATENT LAWS

In no country is there so much need for the encouragement of inventions tending to economize human labor, as in a young and thinly-populated country like this. Labor-saving machines must be made to take the place of human hands, not only for manufacturing, but for mining and other purposes. What would the United States have been now, without the immense mass of inventions that have been brought into request during the last fifty years? Necessity has been truly the mother of invention in America. Time and place, and circumstances, must continue to bring forth provisions calculated to meet the ever-changing requirements of the country. Our geographical position, the conformation of the country, our productions—particularly those of the mineral kingdom—all are of a character to call for the highest efforts of inventive genius. We should, therefore, make provisions for the encouragement of labor calculated so much to aid in the development of the various resources of the country. We should, by a good system of patent laws, protect men in the enjoyment of the fruits of their labor. By granting patent rights to the inventor of new machines or processes, we may ensure them a compensation sufficient to encourage the prosecution of such enterprises. Valuable instruments for working our mines, or modes of extracting and manufacturing metals, may thus be brought into use. Closely connected with this, is the propriety of making provisions for allowing parties to secure the copyrights of their literary productions. The necessity for such a step must be continually increasing. Every day is adding to the importance of our standing among the colonies of the Empire. We must, therefore, follow their example, and at once lay a good foundation, by the early adoption of a policy calculated to foster the harmonious development of everything tending to place us on a par with the most advanced nations. This is a subject well worthy of the attention of our Legislature, and it is to be hoped something will be done next session towards placing matters on a satisfactory footing.

## A MINT FOR VICTORIA.

That Victoria is the proper place for the establishment of a mint for this part of the world, must become more plain to any one who pays the slightest attention to the development of British Columbia. No matter how many towns may spring up in that colony—no matter how extensive they may become—not one of them can become to the whole country what Victoria is, and must continue to be. This part is destined by nature for the entrepot of this part of the world. It is the centre of distribution and so it must be of reception. So far as British Columbia is concerned, it is quite evident that in future the supplies for the mines will not go by way of Fraser River only. Trade will follow the shortest roads, and notwithstanding the fact that there will be in a short time a complete line of good road by way of the River, still a large portion of the traffic must go by one or both of the coast routes. There is no getting over this; and it is all the better for the country that it should be the case. It is for the advantage of the country that there should be as many routes as possible, and all in full operation. But if the mines are supplied by so many different routes of course the gold will come down in the same manner. If the road by Bute Inlet should hereafter prove the shortest and best, it is likely to have the preference, and to be the express line from Cariboo, Victoria and Cariboo, and perhaps Peace River are the extreme points. All the routes must centre in these points. They may pass through New Westminster, through Homathco, or through Koomkooz, but they stop at one of them. Here, therefore, is the rendezvous for the lower country. This city is to these colonies, what San Francisco is to California. This being the case, the propriety of establishing a mint in this city, to meet the downward stream of gold that must hereafter have its embouchure at this point, must strike the plainest understanding. It is an accommodation to the public and to miners, which we should no longer refuse. Men cannot be expected to come down by way of Bontine Arm or Bute Inlet and then take their just up to New Westminster for assay or coinage. Let us then have a mint in Victoria by all means.

## OF BUILDERS, ETC.

**CORRUGATED IRON**—For Roofing and Building purposes.  
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**BUY GOLD DUST, BULLION, AND DRAW DRAFTS ON SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.**  
Do de Portland, Or.  
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Receive DEPOSITS and issue CERTIFICATES of Deposit, and do a general Banking Business. Parties in the interior may remit Gold Dust to us longer refuse. Men cannot be expected to come down by way of Bontine Arm or Bute Inlet and then take their just up to New Westminster for assay or coinage. Let us then have a mint in Victoria by all means.

**BENJAMIN SCHLOSS,**  
FRANK LIVINGSTON,  
San Francisco.

## AUCTION.

**TO-MORROW,**  
**TUESDAY, April 28,**  
At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

## Furniture!

**J. A. McCREA**  
WILL SELL

On the Premises,  
FORT ST., ABOVE GOVERNMENT.

**THE FURNITURE OF A FAMILY RETIRING FROM HOUSEKEEPING,**

—CONSISTING OF—  
Carpet, Sofa, Bureau, Tables,  
Beds and Bedding,  
Chairs, Stoves and Fixtures,  
Crochery Ware,  
Mirrors,  
Curtains, etc., etc.

The Furniture can be seen, by application to Mr. Robinson, at Messrs. Munro, Neill & Co's Store

**JUST ARRIVED,**

Ex Barkentine "Monitors"

**EASTERN AND CALIFORNIA**

## HOPS.

FOR SALE BY  
ST. OURS & CO.

Gladwin, Tarbell & Co.,  
IMPORTERS,  
Commission Merchants,  
And Wholesale Dealers in  
GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

First-Proof Warehouse, Wharf street, opposite H. B. Company's Wharf, Victoria, V. I. ap 27 1m

## WIRE ROPE,

FOR SHIP HOPE, FERRY ROPES,  
Hoisting and general purposes;  
Wire Strand, for Fencing;  
WIRE FENCING of all kinds and description.  
A full assortment of WIRE on hand, at the Manu-  
facture of  
**HALLIDIE & CO.,**  
San Francisco, Cal.  
J. J. SOUTHWATE & CO., Agents, Victoria. ap 27 2m

## NOTICE.

**THE WEATHER NOW BEING FAY-  
VIEWS OF THE CITY.**

AND PRIVATE RESIDENCES, orders left at my  
Photographic Gallery will receive prompt atten-  
tion. Views of the city can be seen and other infor-  
mation given.  
JOHN W. VAUGHAN, artist,  
Victoria Theatre. ap 27 1w

## Municipal Notice.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THE OF-  
fice of the City Clerk, Broad street, until  
Thursday, 28th April, at 4 p. m., for hauling Metal  
from the corner of Johnson and Quadra streets, to  
repair the following streets, viz: Johnson, from  
Government to Wharf; Yates, from Douglas to  
Wharf; Fort street, from Douglas to Government;  
and also Government and Wharf streets.  
The Tenders to state the price of hauling per ton.  
J. M. REID,  
Chairman street Committee. ap 27 1d

## ANDERSON &amp; CO

Invite to the Following Goods  
• The Attention

## OF GROCERS

**HAMS**—Best English York;  
**SUGAR**—"Loaf;  
"Cassiope No. 1;  
**OATMEAL**—Scotch, in Kegs;  
**RHICUTS**—A large variety of Scotch;  
**PRESERVED MEATS**—Sausage, Mince, Game  
and various other articles, in 1 lb. and 2 lb. tins.  
**FINGER BLUE**;  
**CHEESE**—North Yorkshire, in cases;  
**SOAP**—Tynson's English Crown, 12 lb. boxes;  
**DO**—Thornton's Irish, 18 lb. boxes;  
**CONFECTIONERY**—A large assortment of  
Wholesale and Retail.  
**OILMEN'S STORES**—Mustard, Sauces, Pick-  
les, Dates, Arrow Root, etc.

## OF SPIRIT &amp; WINE DEALERS

**PORTER**—Byas' Friends, Hibbert's, and Ten-  
nent's;  
**ALE**—Byas' Friends, Hibbert's, Tennent's, and  
Brewer's;  
**BRANDY**—Fale, Hennessy's, Martell's, and Trib-  
let's;  
**DO**—Dale (Martell's); (Triblet's);  
**DO**—Fale (Hennessy's); (Triblet's);  
(Moussier's), in case;  
**WHISKY**—(Case), Jas. Stewart & Co's, Scotch;  
**DO**—(Case), Campbellton, Crawford's, and  
Stewart's;  
**GIN**—Oran's, in case;  
**SHERRY**—Various qualities in case and cask;  
**PORT**—Cinteno la Rose " "  
**CLARET**—Cinteno la Rose " "  
**BRITISH WINES**—Elderberry, Gilger, Ras-  
berry, etc., etc.

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## GLOVE AND HOSIERY WAREHOUSE!

(Opposite Colonist Office.)  
The above premises are this day opened, with a splendid stock of Ladies' and Gent's

## French Kid Gloves,

Scotch and English Hosiery,  
SCARFS, HANDKERCHIEFS, TIES, ETC.

N. B. The GLOVES have just been received, Overland from England. ap 24

## AUCTION.

**Thursday, April 30,**  
At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

**J. A. McCREA,**  
Is instructed to sell,

AT SALESROOM, WHARF STREET,  
ON A LIBERAL CREDIT,  
—An Invoice of—

## BOOTS!

Just Received from San Francisco,  
AND ORDERED TO BE SOLD,  
—CONSISTING OF—

Cases fine Calf Boots, with quilted soles  
" fine heavy grain Napoleon's;  
" Fremont Calf Boots, long legs;  
" Heavy Nailed Boots, double soles  
" Heavy Calf Boots, with plated  
heels;  
" Men's Kip Boots;  
" Men's full-nailed Hungarian  
Boots;  
" Men's fine pump sole Calf Boots;  
" Men's long leg, Cavalry Boots,  
double sole;  
" Men's Kip Boots, nailed and steel  
heels;  
" Men's Wax'd Fremont Boots;  
" Men's Calf Dress boots. ap 29

—ALSO—  
BY ORDER OF THE SHERIFF,  
GOWEN vs. FOSTER—Distress Warrant.  
NATHAN vs. FOSTER—Writ of Execution.

## CHAIRS;

TABLES;  
DEMIJOINS;  
ALE;  
SUNDRIES.

## The Colonial

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Advertisements received at the Publishing Office,  
HIBBEN & CARSWELL'S BRICK BUILDING,  
Langley street.

## WALLACE &amp; ALLEN,

Proprietors,  
Victoria, V. I., 24th April 1863. ap 24 1d

## OTTO CARL,

COMMISSION AGENT,  
AND DEALER IN  
GROCERIES, PROVISIONS & PRODUCE,  
GOVERNMENT STREET,  
OPPOSITE THE ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL,  
Next door to the New England Bakery. ap 28

## THE UNDERIGNED BEG LEAVE

to inform the public of Victoria and vicinity  
that he has lately opened the  
Pacific Grocery and Provision Store,  
And is now ready to receive customers.  
Please call and see the well-selected Goods.  
The above information regarding the rates of premium  
for residence in the various parts of the world, and  
generally as to the company's terms of Assurance,  
may be obtained on application to the Company's  
Agents.  
By order of the Board of Directors  
WILL. THOS. THOMPSON, Actuary.  
D. CLUNIE GIBSON, Secretary.

## LOCAL BOARD, VICTORIA.

THOMAS HARRIS, Esq., Mayor of Victoria.  
KENNETH MCKENZIE, Esq., Craghead.  
JAMES YATES, Esq., of Craigie Lea Farm.  
ROBERT BURMAN, Esq., of M. P. P.  
G. M. SMOAT, Esq., Merchant. ap 27

## L. MALATESTA &amp; CO.,

DEALERS IN  
Groceries, Provisions, Oregon Pro-  
duce, Liquors, &c.,  
Johnson street, corner Oriental Alley, Victoria, V. I.  
ap 27 2m

## MULES! MULES!

Just Received Ex "Jenny Ford,"  
From Sandwich Islands,  
52 Good Pack Mules  
For sale by  
LOVE BROTHERS,  
ap 14 1/2

## Exchange Tables

FOR CONVERTING STERLING INTO  
Currency, and Currency into Sterling, at the  
Government rate of 41—24 1/2, are now ready and  
can be obtained at  
HIBBEN & CARSWELL'S STORE,  
Yates street. Price 10 cents. ap 19

## Grains and Yeast.

A CONSTANT SUPPLY  
Of the above for sale at the Lion Brewery.  
Apply at the Brewery Office, Langley street.  
ap 17 1w

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